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SUBJECT: MORE BIHARI MOVEMENT TO PAKISTAN?

1. NEW FCO SOUTH ASIA DEPARTMENT HEAD, ROBIN O'NEILL, TOLD US MAY 9 THAT BANGLADESH HIGH COMMISSIONER HERE HAS APPROACHED HMG WITH REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO UNHCR FOR MOVEMENT OF 10,000 OR SO MORE BIHARIS TO PAKISTAN. BRITISH HAVE NOT HEARD OF THIS FROM ANY OTHER SOURCE AND ARE CHECKING WITH DACCA AND UNHCR TO SEE WHAT IS INVOLVED. THEY SHARED OUR IMPRESSION THAT THERE WAS NO PROGRESS BEING MADE BETWEEN BANGLADESH AND PAKISTAN ON THIS ISSUE.

2. O'NEILL ALSO VOLUNTEERED THAT THERE IS A BRITISH MIS SION IN DACCA CURRENTLY TRYING TO SETTLE ISSUE OF PRIVATE DEBTS LEFT OVER FROM FORMER EAST PAKISTAN. THESE AMOUNT TO ONLY ABOUT 2 MILLION POUNDS STERLING. SOLUTION OF PROBLEM WOULD HELP HMG BE MORE FORTHCOMING IN MATTERS SUCH AS COMMERCIAL CREDIT FOR BANGLADESH.

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